

## Declaration and Power of Attorney

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **IN-LINE CODE SUPPRESSION**, the specification of which:

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|   |                                     | wledge the duty to disclose i<br>Federal Regulations, § 1.56    | information which is material to the ex<br>5(a).*   | xamination of this application in acco   | ordance with                   |  |  |  |
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| Prior For   | eign Ap                             | plication(s)  |   |  | Priority Cla                   |  |  |  |
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| nsofar a<br>nanner p<br>s define  | s the sub<br>provided<br>d in Title | ject matter of each of the cla<br>by the first paragraph of Tit | le 35, United States Code, § 120 of as<br>aims of this application is not disclose<br>the 35, United States Code, § 112, I an<br>ations, §1.56(a) which occurred between<br>is application: | ed in the prior United States applicat<br>cknowledge the duty to disclose mute | tion in the<br>erial informati |  |  |  |
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